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## IF WAR COMES.

In estimating the probable result of war between Japan and Russia these are facts to be kept in mind:

The population of Japan is larger than that of the North and South combined at the time of the American Civil War and it can yield to the service of the Army and Navy 5,000,000 men of martial traits including about 1,000,000 of adequate martial training. Japan's armies may be used against one enemy; there are no land frontiers to guard against other possible foes.

Japan can make war at less cost in money than any other civilized nation. The pay of its soldiers and sailors, from the lowest to the highest rank is small; the food required by the fighting men is principally compressed rice and dried fish, articles which cost little and need no wagon trains for their transportation; the general equipment of troops is provided at home by cheap labor. Slowness of pay and scarcity of food cause no discontent among Japanese, the patriotism of the forces and of the people behind them being fanatical.

Japan is able to fight close to its base. From the naval port of Sasebo to a landing place in Korea is a little more than one night's slow steaming.

Touching the relative naval strength of Japan and Russia, Mr. Sidney M. Ballou, a lay authority, estimates the Japanese fleet at 104 in "total fighting value" and the available Russian fleet at 80. Doubt as to the structural efficiency of the foreign-built Japanese warships was lately expressed by a member of Admiral Evans's staff who said the vessels had been "built to sell." The same officer stated that the Russian ships are among the best in the world.

The population of Russia, including Siberia, is about 119,000,000. This affords more than double the recruiting capacity enjoyed by Japan. The Army, however, cannot be utilized against one enemy; if it fights in the Far East it must at the same time guard the Turkish, Austro-Hungarian and German frontiers and preserve the domestic peace.

The cost of war is ordinarily as great among the Russians as it is among the Germans; and it is increased during severe weather by difficulties of transportation. Russia, like Japan, has no money to waste.

A Russian campaign in Manchuria and Korea must be carried on eight thousand miles from the principal military base, direct connection being had by a single poorly constructed railroad which, in the event of war, will be the instant objective point of hundreds of daring Japanese who are now in Manchuria, where they have cached dynamite, intent upon blowing up portions of the line; and which will be a chief object of Japanese military assault in force.

Returning to naval matters, the Russian has never been known as a good sailor while the Japanese is a hardy seafarer. Russia's navy dates back to the time of Peter the Great only, while Japanese war junks ravaged the coast of China for hundreds of years before that era. Man for man in the opinion of experts the Japanese is a better sailor as he is a better soldier than the Russian.

The probable result of war cannot be fairly estimated because of the unknown factor, namely, the attitude of Europe. Long ago the Kaiser warned the West of the need of concerted action to ward off the "yellow peril." In 1895 Germany and France united with Russia to deprive Japan of the foothold she had won on the Asiatic continent. They did not want her to hold a commanding position in the East. Would they now intervene against Japan at a critical moment or would jealousy of Russia induce the Dreihund to embarrass her and isolate France? These are matters which General Miles doubtless had in mind when he predicted, as an outcome of a Russo-Japanese war, a general conflagration in Europe.

General Yamaji, the "one-eyed demon" of the Japanese army in 1894-5, will hardly rest easy in his grave if war comes with Russia. The hero of Port Arthur lived in hope of fighting Russia and died regretting that he had never had the chance. In Yamaji the characteristics of the ancient Japanese warrior were revived and he hated the necessity of wearing the uniform and bearing the arms of the white man. To hew his way through the ranks of the enemy with a two-handed sword was his individual preference. Nevertheless he was an educated modern officer, and conducted his share of the Port Arthur campaign with the skill of a Jomin.

Col. Fitch's reminiscences are having a large circulation on the mainland where a syndicate of great newspapers is featuring them. The San Francisco Call, for one, is illustrating the stories

in an inimitable way. Tomorrow's contribution to the Sunday Advertiser on "Creedless Christians," is an especially strong and interesting paper.

For the convenience of our readers the entire Associated Press service of Honolulu, both our own and that received by the afternoon papers, will be hereafter used on the first, or telegraphic page of the Advertiser. This method, which is uniform among mainland newspapers, will enable this paper to keep related parts of the news together and make a connected story of events.

## DINNERS SERVED AT THE HOTELS

Excellent dinners were served at Honolulu's three leading hotels last evening.

### YOUNG HOTEL.

There were many private parties at the Young Hotel where the tables were also prettily decorated. Each guest was given a souvenir menu card, of delicate handpainted design. The scene was of a couple of palms in a dying sunset and the card was printed in blue and gold. The menu was as follows:

### MENU.

New Year's Day, 1904.  
Huitres, Banquet Rolls  
Tortue Verte au Claire, a la Royale  
Celerier en Branche  
Salted Walnuts Pin-Money Pickles  
Bouchees a la Victoria  
Coquilles de Homard a la Americaine  
Filet de Boeuf Brillat-Savarin  
Tomatoes, Tuscan Style  
Ballotines de Pigeons a la Imperatrice  
Petits Poirs a la Epicure  
Terrapine a la Baltimore en Casserole  
Asperges Nouvelles en Branche  
Sauce Blanche  
Sorbet Marquise  
Capon Farcies Aux Truffes et Marrons  
Pommes Duchesse  
Haricots Verts a la Anglaise  
Salad Panachee  
Charlotte Russe a la Vanille  
Glaces Aux Fraises a la Parisienne  
Petits Fours Assortis  
Fromage de Roquefort  
Toasted Bents Crackers  
Cafe Noir  
Alexander Young Hotel, Honolulu.

### THE HAWAIIAN.

An elegant French dinner was served at the Hawaiian Hotel, and the novelty was much enjoyed and appreciated by the many guests present. Many small family gatherings enjoyed the dinner. The music was omitted as a mark of respect owing to the death at the hotel in the morning. The menu follows:

Table d'Hote Dinner, a la mode Française.  
Jan. 1st, 1904.  
Menu.  
California Oyster Cocktail  
Cream of Cucumber  
Millet in Ti leaves, a la Hawaiienne  
Sliced Tomatoes Pommes Parisienne  
Medallion of Tenderloin, a la Bernaise with Pineapple Fritters  
Frogs Legs en Caisse, Grand Sec.  
Champagne Punch Frappe  
Roast Island Turkey, stuffed with Chestnuts  
French Green Peas  
Browned Sweet Potatoes  
Salad d'Asperge  
Cream Glace Topsy Boudin  
Fresh Strawberry Ice Cream  
Petits Fours, assortis  
Camembert  
Cafe Noir

### AT MOANA HOTEL.

Following is the menu served at the Moana Hotel for its New Year's Day dinner:

Preserved Peaches au Cognac  
HUITRES.  
Bleu Points sur Coquilles  
POTAGES.  
Cream of Chicken a la Reine  
Consomme de Volaille en Tasse  
HORS D'OEUVRES.  
Queen Olives Celery en Branche  
Tartine de Caviar  
Radishes Salted Almonds  
POISSON.  
Mullet a la Montreuil  
English Sole au Gratin  
Sliced Cucumbers Pommes Dauphine  
RELEVES.  
Calves Head Vinaigrette  
Grenadins of Venison, Sauce Poirade  
Timbales of Crab, a l' Ambassade  
ENTREES.  
Filet of Beef Larded au Chasseur  
Frogs Legs a la Newberg in Ramekin  
Squab en Compote a la Provencale  
Beignet Souffles, Sauce Sabayon  
Sorbet au Medoc  
ROTI.  
Prime Ribs of Beef with Yorkshire Fudding  
Stuffed Young Turkey with Chestnuts, Cranberry Sauce  
Suckling Pig, Baked Apple  
LEGUMES.  
Baked Sweet Potatoes  
Mashed Potatoes  
Cauliflower, Mousseline Sauce  
Asparagus Hollandaise  
Petits-pois a la Francaise, Stuffed  
GIBIERS.  
Phasant Piquee au Cresson  
Mallard Duck Fried Hominy  
Currant Jelly.  
FROID.  
Terrine de foie-gras de Strasbourg  
Galantine of Chicken aux Truffes  
SALADES.  
Lettuce  
Hawaiian Lobster Mayonnaise  
DESSERTS.  
Lemon Meringue Pie Pumpkin Pie  
English Plum Pudding  
Hard and Brandy Sauce  
Strawberry Ice Cream  
Assorted Fancy Cakes  
Charlotte Russe, Jellie au Curacao  
Assorted California & Hawaiian Fruits  
FROMAGES.  
American Rooted Brie Swiss  
Cafe Noir.

## CURRENT INTEREST.

### CUTTING TREES BY ELECTRICITY.

In Germany they are beginning to cut down trees by electricity. A platinum wire is heated to a white heat by an electric current and used like a saw. The tree is then cut down much more quickly than in the old way, taking only one-eighth of the time. The process makes no sawdust, and shows other advantages, its coolness, however, being its chief recommendation, and giving assurance that it will be widely adopted.

### HIGHEST SALARY PAID A WOMAN.

The highest salaried woman at the pension bureau is Miss Annie Shirley, whom Commissioner Ware has promoted to a position which pays \$1,800 a year. Only one other woman has received so large a salary. Miss Shirley was appointed a clerk in the bureau about twenty-five years ago. During the greater part of her service she has been attached to the office of the chief clerk. For many years she has made up the bureau pay rolls, and she knows by name and appearance every one of the 1,700 employees of the bureau.

### HARVARD'S NEGRO DEBATER.

F. O. Morton, the colored Harvard student who has been put on the varsity debating team, hails from Washington and is 22 years old. He expects to enter the Harvard law school after he has completed his college course. Young Morton has a fine voice, backed by an easy, graceful and modest manner. He has had considerable experience in debating both in college and in school. He came to Harvard from Exeter, where he spent two years in preparation. While at the New Hampshire preparatory school he represented the school in two debates against the Harvard freshmen team, of which Exeter lost one and won the other.

### THE TRUTH ALWAYS.

"When you are in doubt tell the truth." It was an experienced old diplomat who said this to a beginner in the work. It may pass in some things, but not in business. Fraud and deception are often profitable so long as concealed; yet detection is certain sooner or later; then comes the smash-up and the punishment. The best and safest way is to tell the truth all the time. Thus you make friends that stick by you, and a reputation that is always worth twenty shillings to the pound everywhere your goods are offered for sale. We are able modestly to affirm, that it is on this basis that the world-wide popularity of

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